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Docket No.: 4481-021

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Manfred BERNDT
Serial No. 09/598,968
Filed: June 22, 2000



EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
Response under 37 CFR 1.116

Group Art Unit: 1743

Examiner: J. Brown

For: DEVICE TO OPERATE A LABORATORY MICROCHIP

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response, which was made Final, without amendment in the above identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application has been established.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims				x \$ 18 =	-0-
Independent Claims				x \$ 84 =	-0-
If multiple claims newly presented, add \$280.00					
Fee for extension of time					110.00
TOTAL FEE DUE					110.00

- ☐ A credit card authorization form in the amount of is attached
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicants respond to the November 26, 2002 Office
Action, which was made Final, without amendment.

REMARKS

The second full paragraph on page 5 of the Office Action
states claims 13 and 15-17 contain allowable subject matter,
but the Office Action Summary says claim 13 is rejected.
Applicants will proceed on the basis that the statement on
page 5 of the Office Action is correct.

Applicants traverse the rejection of claims 18-25 under
35 USC 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter
which is not described in the specification in such a way as
to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that
the inventors, at the time the application was filed, had
possession of the claimed invention. Applicants also cannot
agree that claims 18-25 constitute new matter. To assist the

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